adequate funds from the budget grant. The Paraplegic Rehabilitation Centre, Kirkee was established in 1978 with a financial assistance of Rs. 12,28,700/-from National Defence Fund. The Paraplegic Centre is autonomous in its functioning and all dicisions regarding pay and allowances of the staff, management of establishment and expenditure on paraplegics, are taken by its Board of Trustees/Management Committee. The Paraplegic Rehabilitation Centre has its own corpus of funds, the interest earnings of which are utilised for its running. In addition, the Kendriya Sainik Board also provides annual grant for the maintenance of the establishment and the up-keep of the inmates. During the last 5 years the Paraplegic Rehabilitation Centre has been given following financial assistance by the Kendriya sainik Board:—

| Year | Amount |
|---|---|
| 1992-93 | Rs. 14,87,8367- |
| 1993-94 | Rs. 7,23,046/- |
| 1994-95 | Rs. 12,73,900/- |
| 1995-96 | Rs. 12,60,162/- |
| 1996-97 | Rs. 15,96,565/- |

At present, the Paraplegic Rehabilitation Centre, Pune has 75 inmates, with a staff of 53 employees including 19 Attendants, 1 Medical Superintendent, 2 Physiotherapists and 2 Nursing Assistants.

**Completion of Irrigation Projects in the Country**

90. PROF. NAUNIHAL SINGH:
SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of major and medium irrigation projects under implementation in various states including Gujarat;

(b) whether any targets have been fixed for the completion of these projects;

(c) if so, details thereof;

(d) the total cost spill over of these projects; and

(e) the details of the efforts being made to complete these projects within the stipulated time period?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) to (e) details of ongoing major & medium Irrigation Projects in various States.

| | | Major | | | Medium | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| S1. No. | Name of State | No. of projects (N( OS.) | Latest estimated cost (Rs. in crores) | Ultimate Irrigation Potential (Thousand ha.) | No. of Projects (Nos.) | Latest estimated cost (Rs. in crores) | Ultimate Irrigation Potential (Thousand ha.) |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 1. | Andhra Pradesh | 14 | 9140.31 | 1947.47 | 29 | 500.88 | 147.53 |
| 2. | Assam | 5 | 429.90 | 166.48 | 6 | 74.18 | 47.75 |
| 3. | Bihar | 16 | 4202.63 | 1211.29 | 23 | 537.24 | 105.28 |
| 4. | Goa | 1 | 347;72 | 46.06 | 1 | 40.00 | 11.20 |
| 5. | Gujarat | 9 | 11308.79 | 2121.13 | 30 | 716.99 | 161.93 |
| 6. | Haryana | 4 | 944.41 | 322.00 | — | — | — |
| 7. | Himachal Pradesh | 1 | 143.32 | 26.54 | 2 | 11.37 | 4.87 |
| 8. | Jammu & Kashmir | 1 | 144.15 | 67.88 | 11 | 112.02 | 40.16 |
| 9. | Karnataka | 13 | 7277.21 | 1684.67 | 18 | 506.85 | 98.00 |
| 10. | Kerala | 12 | 1442.14 | 569.45 | 22 | 545.10 | 126.79 |
| 11. | Madhya Pradesh | 19 | 7834.17 | 2312.50 | 34 | 839.40 | 239.60 |
| 12. | Maharashtra | 39 | 11554.79 | 2105.44 | 53 | 849.43 | 262.70 |

| | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 13. | Manipur | 2 | 324.64 | 44.67 | 2 | 66.58 | 11.05 |
| 14. | Meghalaya | — | — | — | 1 | 17.18 | 16.81 |
| 15. | Orissa | 7 | 4813.19 | 1094.69 | 13 | 606.28 | 110.32 |
| 16. | Punjab | — | 743.54 | — | 1 | 2.00 | NA |
| 17. | Rajasthan | 8 | 4560-82 | 1808.57 | 7 | 202.59 | 51.09 |
| 18. | Tripura | — | — | — | 3 | 105.59 | 25.52 |
| 19. | Uttar Pradesh | 18 | 6027.71 | 4923.86 | 3 | 55.37 | 6,68 |
| 20. | West Bengal | 3 | 1695.41 | 1580.56 | 21 | 94.44 | 48.91 |
| 21. | Tamil Nadu | — | — | — | 5 | 81.89 | 13.93 |
| | TOTAL: | 172 | 73934.85 | 22033.26 | 276 | 5963.38 | 1532.12 |

(b) & (c):The normal schedule of completion for major projects is 10—20 years and for medium irrigation projects in 5 years. However, actual completion of the project depends upon the size of the project, availability of funds technical problems encountered during construction, problems in acquisition of land (forests, private and Government), problems in rehabilitation & resettlement of the oustees, public agitations, contractual problems etc.

(d) The anticipated spill-over cost of major and medium irrigation schemes at the end of Annual Plans 1994-95 is Rs. 44,037 crores and Rs. 2296 crores respectively.

(e) To expedite completion of ongoing major & medium irrigation and multipurpose projects, the Union Govt, has launched Accelerated Irrigation BENEFITS

Programme with budget allocation of Rs. 900 crores during 1996-97 under which central Loan Assistance is provided to the State Govts, on matching basis. Other sums taken for timely completion of the projects are, giving priority to those projects which have made substantial progress, earmarking by Planning Commission of outlays for important projects, intensive monitoring of important projects, setting up of cost Control Cells in the States etc.

Note: NA—Not Applicable

**Amendment of the Special Protection Group Act**

*91. SHRI ANANTA SETHI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are contemplating to amend the Special Protection Group Act in order to restrict this elite security cover to the serving Prime Minister and members of his immediate family;

(b) if so, the details regarding the present cover of the Special Protection Group to the former Prime Ministers; and

(c) the details regarding the desirability of amending the Special Protection Group Act in respect of serving as well as former Prime Ministers?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI INDRAJIT GUPTA): (a) There is no move at present to amend the SPG Act to estrict SPG security cover to serving Prime Minister and members of his immediate family.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

**Construction of Rest Areas Along National Highway No. 5 ia Andhra Pradesh**

*92. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any representations have been received to construct rest areas along National Highway No. 5 in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken to convene a local inspection to fulfil this public demand?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKAT-RAMAN): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir, a representation for establishment of a rest area between Eluru-